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SUBJECT: TRIP OF CU ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARDSON

REF: STATE 082545; STATE 064606

1. EMBASSY AGREEABLE TO DEPT'S PREFERRED DATES FOR CAO
CONFERENCE AND SUGGESTS FOLLOWING REVISED ITINERARY FOR
ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARDSON:

THURSDAY, MAY 30, FRIDAY, MAY 31 AND
SATURDAY, JUNE 1 CAO CONFERENCE

SUNDAY, JUNE 2 FREE

MONDAY, JUNE 3 LAGOS - IBADAN
1300 HOURS DEPART LAGOS VIA WT 102
1335 ARRIVE IBADAN
COURTESY CALL ON VC, UNIBADAN OR UNIFE
MEET WITH STUDENTS (IF FEASIBLE)
DINNER OR RECEPTION AT PO OR BPAO'S
RESIDENCE
OVERNIGHT IBADAN

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TUESDAY, JUNE 4 IBADAN - KADUNA

1125 HOURS DEPART IBAEAN VIA WT 682
1305 ARRIVE KADUNA
EVENING DINNER OR RECEPTION AT PO OR BPAO'S
RESIDENCE
OVERNIGHT KADUNA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

MORNING COURTESY CALL ON VC, ABU
AFTERNOON RETURN TO KADUNA
1735 HOURS DEPART KADUNA VIA WT 685
1840 ARRIVE LAGOS
OVERNIGHT LAGOS

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 LAGOS - ENUGU

0815 HOURS DEPART LAGOS VIA WT 124
0950 ARRIVE ENUGU
PROCEED DIRECTLY BY CAR TO UNIGERIA (NSUKKA)
COURTESY CALL ON VC, UNIGERIA
OVERNIGHT NSUKKA OR ENUGU (DEPENDING ON
PROGRAM)

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 ENUGU - LAGOS

1015 HOURS DEPART ENUGU VIA WT 125
1140 ARRIVE LAGOS
AFTERNOON AND FREE
EVENING

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 LAGOS - WASHINGTON

2. BASED ON ESTIMATED NUMBER PERSONS TO ATTEND CONFERENCE
(STATE 64606), WE ATTEMPTING RESERVE TEN SINGLES AT FEDERAL
PALACE HOTEL (VICTORIA ISLAND) FOR PERIOD MAY 29 THROUGH JUNE 1.

3. POSSIBILITY EXISTS, HOWEVER, THAT ALL RPT ALL HOTELS WILL BE
FULLY BOOKED FOR INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH
SCHEDEDUL MAY 23 - 27.

4. WHILE THESE DATES DO NOT COINCIDE WITH PROPOSED CONFERENCE
DATES, AND WHILE FESTIVAL PROTOCOL OFFICER HAS ADVISED US THAT
DELEGATES WILL BE CONTAINED IKOYI ISLAND (HOTEL AND GOVERNMENT
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REST HOUSES), ACCOMMODATIONS MAY OR MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE. WE
HOPE, HOWEVER, TO HAVE DETERMINED THE STATUS OF HOTELS THIS
WEEK.

5. IN ORDER AVOID LAST MINUTE DELAY AND FRUSTRATION, EMBASSY
AGAIN REITERATES NECESSITY CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS OBTAIN VISAS
WELL IN ADVANCE THESE DATES. OUR CHANCES TO ASSIST FROM LAGOS IN
OBTAINING VISAS NOT BRIGHT.

6. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST IF PROPOSED ITINERARY ACCEPTABLE, AND
IF MRS. RICHARDSON OR OTHERS WILL ACCOMPANY THE ASST. SECRETARY
OUTSIDE LAGOS.

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